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## NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION

Adjustment date: 07/25/2001 TV0111  
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*Filing Date Granted*

An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given **TWO MONTHS** from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- The oath or declaration is missing.  
*A properly signed oath or declaration in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63, identifying the application by the above Application Number and Filing Date, is required.*
- To avoid abandonment, a late filing fee or oath or declaration surcharge as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(e) of \$130 for a non-small entity, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.
- The balance due by applicant is \$ 130.

The application is informal since it does not comply with the regulations for the reason(s) indicated below.

The required item(s) identified below must be timely submitted to avoid abandonment:

- Substitute drawings in compliance with 37 CFR 1.84 because:

- drawing sheets do not have the appropriate margin(s) (see 37 CFR 1.84(g)). Each sheet must include a top margin of at least 2.5 cm. (1 inch), a left side margin of at least 2.5 cm. (1 inch), a right side margin of at least 1.5 cm. ( 5/8 inch), and a bottom margin of at least 1.0 cm. (3/8 inch);

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PART 2 - COPY TO BE RETURNED WITH RESPONSE



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Serial No.: 09/779,282 )  
Filed: February 8, 2001 ) Group Art Unit: 3763  
For: IMPROVED ANALYTE SENSOR AND )  
METHOD OF MAKING THE SAME )

REQUEST FOR THE WITHDRAWAL OF REQUIREMENT FOR  
NEW DECLARATION AND CORRECTED FILING RECEIPT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
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Dear Sir:

Applicants have reviewed the attached Notice to File Missing Parts (Exhibit 1) and the Filing Receipt (Exhibit 2). The Applicants believe that both of these documents are in error. A declaration (Exhibit 3) in accordance with 37 CFR 1.16 was filed along with the Patent Application on February 8, 2001. A copy of the stamped postcard (Exhibit 4) indicating it was received by the United States Patent Office is also attached. Accordingly, the requirement for a declaration and fee under 37 CFR 1.16 (e) should be withdrawn.

Respectfully submitted,

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**RESPONSE TO NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF  
NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION**

Attention: Box Missing Parts  
Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

In response to the April 16, 2001 Notice to File Missing Parts of Nonprovisional Application for the above-identified application, enclosed are:

- (1) copy of Notice to be returned with response;
- (2) copy of originally filed Declaration;
- (3) Formal Drawings, which are the missing parts to the application;
- (4) Request for the Withdrawal of Requirement for New Declaration and Corrected Filing Receipt;
- (5) return postcard.

Respectfully submitted,

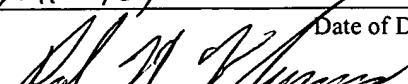
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TRANSMITTAL OF FORMAL DRAWINGS

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
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Dear Sir:

Applicant hereby submits (11) sheets of formal drawings (Figs.1-31(b)) for the above-captioned application.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of the following fees associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-0621. A copy of this sheet is enclosed.

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 23 Pages Spec. 1 Page Abstract 89 Claims  Notice of Appeal \_\_\_\_\_  
 Declaration, Affidavit of Oath (2 Page(s))  Petition for \_\_\_\_\_  
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